

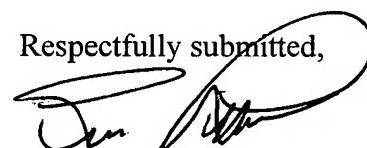
REMARKS

In the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated April 1, 2004, the Legal Instruments Examiner states that in the amendment filed on March 22, 2004, the listing of claims does not include the text of all claims. Particularly, withdrawn claims 6, 7, 8 and 9 should include the text of each claim.

Accordingly, the attached set of claims properly includes the text of all pending claims which are now fully in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121.

Reconsideration and allowance of claims 1, 3 and 4 is respectfully solicited.

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